

Business Item 2022-67:
Joint Powers Agreement with the
Minnesota Pollution Control Agency for
the Watershed Outlet Monitoring Program,
Contract 17G000

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History

- Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) funded Watershed Outlet Monitoring Program (WOMP2) started in 1998
 - Similar to the MCES' WOMP1 program with a different funding source
- Since 2007, funding has been provided by the Legislature through Clean Water Funds appropriated to the MPCA
- Data is used by the Council in regional assessments, local watershed management organizations, and MPCA impairment assessments and watershed pollutant load programs

Background

- 2018-2019 Original Joint Powers Agreement (JPA) was \$300,000
- 2020-2021 JPA amendment added \$238,500 and extended through 3/31/2022
- 2022 amendment proposed to extend through the end of 2022 and add up to \$100,000
 - This would be the 5th year of the agreement which is the maximum allowed at the MPCA
 - A 2023-2024 JPA will be planned as a fresh contract

Tributary River and Stream Program



- 🎯 Biological Monitoring Locations
- MCES Monitored Streams
- ▨ Previously Monitored Watershed

Stream Monitoring Programs

- NPS
- WOMP1
- WOMP2

Note: 3 lakes were included in the JPA in 2021

Proposed Action

- That the Metropolitan Council authorizes its Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute an amendment of contract 17G000 with the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency to extend termination date to 12/31/2022 and accept Clean Water Funds from the Minnesota Legislature in the amount of up to \$100,000.

Questions

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